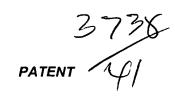
EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE:	"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) - If a timely and complete response has been filed after Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.						
	a Notice the time!	of Appeal y-filed resp	e has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expi conse placed the application in condition for allowance. Of co utory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of Dece	ration of the shortened statutory period unless ourse, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within			
NOTE:	See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.						
3. The proceedings herein are for a pate			ngs herein are for a patent application and the	e provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply			
		(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)					
	(a)	[]	Applicant petitions for an extension of time (1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months c				
	Extens		Fee for other than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity			
r 1	one m	 .	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00			
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If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor. (check and complete the next item, if applicable)							
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			OR				
	(b)	[]	Applicant believes that no extension of conditional petition is being made to provide inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition	for the possibility that applicant has			

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1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

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2.	Applicant	is

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4. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee (Small Entity)	Additional Fee (Large Entity)
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c)*	10	-20 =	(10)	x \$ 9.00	\$0	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)**	2	-3 =	(1)	x \$ 43.00	\$0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))				\$145.00	\$0	\$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	\$0

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(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

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			OR
	(d)	[] Total add	litional fee for claims required \$
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6. [x] If any overpayment of fees or additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. <u>06-2360</u>.

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